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## **Excise Officers Serving Search, Arrest Warrants in Eight Cities**

**LAWRENCEBURG, Ind. (Sept. 24)** – Indiana State Excise Police officers are currently serving search warrants at 13 businesses and four residences in eight cities across Indiana.

Excise officers are also serving more than 100 arrest warrants this morning after an 18-month investigation into the use of fraudulent and stolen Social Security Numbers.

Officers are looking for evidence of corrupt business influence, money laundering, forgery, perjury, identity deception and theft.

Excise police officers are currently serving search warrants at the following businesses:

- Acapulco #6 Mexican Restaurant, 1044 State Road 229 North, Batesville, Ind.
- Acapulco #3 Mexican Restaurant, 301 Margaret Street, Lawrenceburg, Ind.
- Acapulco #5 Mexican Restaurant, 147-149 Main Street, Rising Sun, Ind.
- Acapulco #8 Mexican Restaurant, 301 North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Aurora, Ind.
- Acapulco #11 Mexican Restaurant, 1006 South Adams Street, Versailles, Ind.
- Two undisclosed residences in Lawrenceburg, Ind.
- An undisclosed residence in Lafavette, Ind.
- An undisclosed residence in Batesville, Ind.

They are also searching the offices of a tax-preparation service in Greenwood, Ind., two banks in Lafayette, Ind., and five other banks in southeast Indiana.

Excise officers have been assisted throughout their investigation by the Dearborn County Special Crimes Unit, Dearborn County Sheriff's Office, Lawrenceburg Police Department and the Indiana Department of Revenue.

Indiana State Excise Police officers are the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission. While excise officers have the authority to enforce any state law, they focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related violations.

All criminal and administrative-law defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.